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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Intelligence Definitions
Working Group

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FROM: [REDACTED]
Office of Policy and Planning
Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: Minutes of 8 November 1977 Meeting

1. A summary of the 8 November 1977 meeting of the Intelligence Definitions Working Group is attached for your information. Also attached is a complete list of definitions approved by the Group to date.

2. The next meeting of the Working Group will begin at 1330, Tuesday, 15 November 1977, CHB Room 5S09.

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Attachment
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1. [redacted] opened the meeting by noting his pleasure at the progress made by the Group to date, expressing his hope and expectation that the task at hand would continue to be met in such a reasonable and disciplined way. He further put into perspective the definitions produced by the Working Group versus definitions resulting from other Community activities external to the Working Group, such as the "Huddleston 26" which have recently been circulated to NFIB for comment. [redacted]

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[redacted] view is that the Working Group must continue to progress unimpeded by other "definitions" activities until it has produced a complete glossary of agreed-upon Intelligence Community terms for formal NFIB consideration. In accordance with this clarification by the Chairman, the attached list of approved Working Group definitions again includes the Group's definitions for the four terms substituted for earlier by the E.O. drafters. The integrity of the Working Group's definitions will be maintained henceforth.

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2. The definition of the term Director of Central Intelligence (DCI), which was proposed in the 1 November 1977 minutes, was amended and approved as it appears in the attachment.

3. The NIO list of candidate definitions was completed with agreement on the terms assessment and information(a1) needs, also shown in the attachment.

4. The OPP candidate term foreign intelligence information was discussed at length. It was tentatively determined that intelligence information, foreign intelligence information, and foreign counterintelligence information each needed separate definitions. The FBI was asked to assist in clarifying these terms.

5. Three previously agreed-upon terms have been deleted at NSA's request, pending modification. The three are: Global SIGINT System, Local SIGINT System, and Direct Support Unit.

6. The DIA candidate list was considered down to Intelligence Requirement. All were asked to address this definition and to be prepared to discuss it and the remainder of the DIA list at the next meeting.

7. After considerable discussion, CIA was asked to provide candidate definitions of clandestine, clandestine operations, covert operations, and covert action. These will be discussed at the next meeting.

8. Based on a discussion of intelligence definitions versus other existing definitions of certain intelligence terms, the Chairman recorded the need to note in the eventual Working Group glossary that the definitions contained therein would not necessarily coincide with definitions used elsewhere for legal purposes. This thought will be included in the "escape clause" drafted at an earlier meeting.

9. The next meeting of the Working Group will begin at 1330 on Tuesday, 15 November 1977.



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